## Non-Fee Services

### **Equipment Loan**

**Tree Planting Bars** 

### **Technical Services**

**Forest Stand Plan** - A Forest Stand Plan provides useful information to aid in the management of a landowner's timber tract:

- 1) An inventory of tree species composition, age, overall health, growth rate, and merchantability.
- 2) Recommendations for long-term treatment of the timber to maintain forest health and productivity.
- 3) A map of the tract showing location of different forest types, trails, and natural features such as drainages.
- 4) Seed Tree Law applicability to potential timber harvesting.

**Forest Stewardship Plan** - On forested tracts up to 200 acres, the VDOF offers an in-depth Forest Stewardship Plan employing multiple natural resource disciplines as needed to meet specific landowner objectives:

- 1) Information included in a Forest Stand Plan, plus...
- Options desired by the landowner such as developing wildlife habitat, enhancing visual aesthetics, or protecting water quality and sensitive natural areas during logging activities.
- 3) A five-year time line of recommended activities to achieve objectives.
- 4) Additional reference information on resource management.

**Timber Marking** - On forested tracts up to 5 acres, the VDOF offers marking of timber in preparation for thinning.

For additional information about VDOF services, current rates, and office locations, visit us on the web at:

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## **CONTACT** INFORMATION

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### Salem Region Office:

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Alleghany, Bath, Bedford, Botetourt Craig, Floyd, Franklin, Giles, Henry, Highland, Montgomery, Patrick, Pittsylvania, Pulaski, Roanoke, and Rockbridge counties

#### **Farmville Region Office:**

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#### **Charlottesville Region Office:**

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### **Tappahannock Region Office:**

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Caroline, Charles City, Chesterfield, Essex, Gloucester, Hanover, Henrico, James City, King & Queen, King George, King William, Lancaster, Mathews, Middlesex, New Kent, Northumberland, Spotsylvania, Stafford, Westmoreland, and York counties

### Waverly Region Office:

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Accomack, Brunswick, Dinwiddie, Greensville, Isle of Wight, Northampton, Prince George, Southampton, Surry, and Sussex counties, and cities of Chesapeake, Suffolk, and Virginia Beach



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## COST SHARE ASSISTANCE

## Virginia Reforestation of Timberlands Program

A state program providing cost-share assistance to landowners who carry out pine planting on cutover lands and open fields. State nurseries sell genetically improved loblolly and white pine seedlings to Virginia landowners for planting projects. Contact your local VDOF office.

### **Forest Land Enhancement Program**

A federal U.S.D.A. program providing cost-share assistance to landowners who carry out pine or hardwood planting, timber stand improvement, and wildlife habitat enhancement. State nurseries sell a wide variety of hardwood seedlings and shrubs for planting projects. Contact your local VDOF office.

## **Environmental Quality Improvement Program**

A federal U.S.D.A. program providing cost-share assistance to farmers and other landowners who combine protection of soil and water resources and agricultural production as compatible goals. Timber stand establishment projects contribute to achieving the goals of this program. Contact your local U.S.D.A. Service Center.

## **Conservation Reserve Enhancement Program**

A federal U.S.D.A. program whose goals are to increase and improve land devoted to forested riparian buffers, sod, or other vegetative filter strips and wetland restoration within certain designated watersheds. Hardwood tree planting to establish a riparian buffer qualifies for assistance. Contact your local U.S.D.A. Service Center.

### **Conservation Reserve Program**

A federal U.S.D.A. program that encourages farmers to convert highly erodible cropland to vegetative cover such as grasses, wildlife plantings, trees, filter strips, or riparian buffers. The program pays a percentage of establishment cost and an annual rental payment for the term of the multi-year contract. Contact your local U.S.D.A. Service Center.

# WATER QUALITY INCENTIVES

### Virginia Riparian Buffer Tax Credit

State tax incentive to encourage leaving Streamside Management Zones (SMZs) during and after timber harvests. The buffer must be at least 35 feet wide and no more than 300 feet wide and be intact for 15 years. The applicant must have a Stewardship Plan for the tract to qualify. The amount of the credit is equal to a percentage of the value of the timber retained as a buffer . Contact your local VDOF office.

### **Best Management Practices (BMPs)**

Voluntary, recommended activities to promote water quality. Focused on proper log road construction, proper stream crossings and retaining SMZs during forestry operations. Contact your local VDOF office for further information.

## CONSERVATION EASEMENTS

Easements are legal agreements where property owners sell or donate property rights to easement holders. These sales are designed to lower taxes, provide income, and encourage conservation of rural lands. Contact your local VDOF office for more information.

### FEE SERVICES

### **Equipment Rental**

**Tree Planting Machine** 

### **Technical Services**

**Tree Planting Coordination** - VDOF staff coordinates planting contractors and inspects the quality of work.

**Seedling Delivery** - VDOF staff delivers seedlings from VDOF facility to planting site.

**Ground Herbicide Release Coordination** - VDOF staff coordinates spraying.

**Pre-Commercial Thinning Coordination** - VDOF staff coordinates thinning (may be hand or mechanical thinning).

**Aerial Herbicide Release** - VDOF contracts with landowner to aerial spray pine plantations to control hardwood brush competition.

**Prescribed Burning** - Prescribed burning for planting site preparation and wildlife habitat improvement.

**Forest Stewardship Plan** - Development of a long-term, multi-resource management recommendations on the entire wooded portion of a property over 200 acres (no fee for 200 acres or less).

**Timber Marking** - Marking of timber in preparation for thinning.